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December 15, 2009

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Dear Sir/Madam,

Your refund request for 09491779 in the amount of \$1,730.00 has been denied.

This is in response to your letter submitted on October 19, 2009, wherein you requested a refund in the amount of \$1,730.00.

The request for refund is DENIED.

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Applicant is requesting a refund of his four month extension of time charged for the amendment submitted on November 19, 2008 (certificate of mailing of November 17, 2008). The main argument for the refund is that in the notice of abandonment, the date of abandonment was indicated as July 18, 2009 which is before the date that he submitted his four month extension of time. A notice of non-compliant letter was mailed June 18, 2008 setting a 30 day time for response. Further amendments were filed but no new time for response was set and all the amendments were considered non-compliant. Applicant's last amendment filed on Nov. 19, 2008 with a certificate of mailing of Nov. 17, 2008 authorized payment of any fees and we charged him a four month extension of time to make his amendment timely.

Applicant is not entitled to a refund since the extension of time was needed to make the amendment timely therefore the money was not submitted by mistake.

Sincerely,

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